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Tracy Young Legal Instruments Examiner

Dear Ms. Young,

On 12/23/2004 we mailed a Response to the Office Action mailed 10/22/2004. The Response included an attached "Substitute Drawing Request." In response to our Response, you issued a "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment," mailed 03/17/2005.

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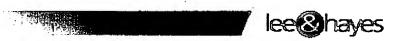
I consulted with the Examiner in this case by telephone 04/15/2005, and he has indicted that we do not need to provided substitute drawings, since we have cancelled Claim 27. Claim 27 recited something the Examiner feels was not properly drawn. By cancelling Claim 27, the need for new drawings is moot.

Accordingly, we provide the attached Response, in response to the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" mailed 03/17/2005 and to the Office Action mailed 10/22/2004.

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated 10/22/2004 and, please modify the status of the claims in the above-identified application as follows:

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A) Modifications to Claim Status start on page 2 of this document; and B) Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

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